

## WELCOME TO THE 2010 LOUISIANA ENVIROTHON

We are happy to have you on ULL's Cade Farm, a model sustainable agricultural complex. In its flat and rolling topography, the Cade Farm has various soil types developed from alluvial deposits or loess parent material, and has sugarcane, pasture lands, crawfish ponds, built-up areas, riparian buffers, research plots, and forestland use types. A permaculture site is also being developed. It is a unique and diverse farm with many different entities housed on the farm. Some of them are: Management Intensive Grazing, Riparian buffer and wildlife habitat, Solar House, Crawfish Research Center- 60 acres, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Weather Station, and Beef unit.

We hope you will enjoy the landscape, the environment and the competition. Thank you for participating in the 2010 Louisiana Envirothon and good luck to all of you!

### **AGENDA**

TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
7:30 AM	Registration/ check in of materials	Welcome Center
8:00 AM	Welcome	Beef Barn
8:30 AM	Teams start station rotation with buddies	
9:15 AM	Begin next test	
10:00 AM	Begin next test	
10:45 AM	Break	
11:00 AM	Begin next test	
11:45 AM	Begin next test	
12:30 AM	Begin next test	
1:15 PM	Lunch	Beef Barn
2:00 PM	Team building	Beef Barn
2:40 PM	Awards	Beef Barn
3:00 PM	Adjourn	



This newsletter is dedicated to the memory of Amanda Marie Hamilton Burns, Ph.D., teacher and advisor at the Math, Art & Science Academy (West) in Plaquemine.

## **ENVIROTHON STATION MASTERS**



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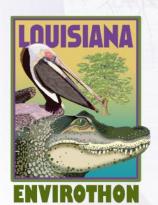
**Waylan Bennett** Station Master Forestry, LDAF



**Venise Ortego** Station Master Wildlife, LDAF



Howard Fielding
Team Leader for Current Issue and
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# OPEN LETTER TO PARTICIPANTS FROM CO-CHAIR KAREN FISHER-BRASHER

I Look Back, I See Smiles

In the late 2003, I was invited to attend a meeting about a youth event called 'Envirothon' By the time the meeting was over, I was convinced that the program was possible and with the right set of partners, it was probable. About that time, Dr. Linda Vincent and Colette Anzalone with ULL entered the conversation and the pieces started falling into place. On June 8 & 9, 2004, an apprehensive steering committee convened the first Louisiana Envirothon at the ULL Cade Farm. We have learned a lot since then. So many dedicated advisors and outstanding students have participated in our training and testing events. The stories I have heard about the Louisiana Envirothon changing lives, I could not have imagined possible. Young competitors have discovered their love for science and the environment. The dedication and interest of team members have inspired their advisors to pursue advanced degrees in environmental studies. Reclusive young people have blossomed into confident outgoing personalities. And I have been blessed to see all the smiles.

After almost 28 years in Louisiana government, I will be retiring this year. I must tell you that, while challenging, working with the Louisiana Envirothon has been a joy. The teams I have worked and traveled with have been a delight. Envirothon advisors, parents and teachers are some of the most dedicated folks I have met. The Louisiana Envirothon organizing committee members are as conscientious and knowledgeable a group of professionals as one could hope to find. It has been my joy to work shoulder to shoulder with Colette Anzalone and the ULL staff. And my brothers and sisters in the 'family' we call DEQ have my deepest respect and greatest affection. I have truly been blessed to have coworkers who are cooperative and supportive beyond measure. Thank you, all of you.

I do not know what the future holds, but rest assured, when I look back, I see smiles.

Karen Fisher-Brasher





Envirothon Co-Chairs: Karen Fisher-Brasher, DEQ and Collette Anzalone, ULL

### **2010 ENVIROTHON TEAMS**

#### **Audubon Team A**

Katherine Williams
Sarah Bienes
Taylor Couvillion
Ellie Kravets
Micayla Mettler
Veronica Del Bianco – Advisor

#### **Audubon Team B**

Josh Eaton Taylor Gravelot Ricky Bagby Callie Arbour Maddie Skinner Veronica Del Bianco – Advisor

#### <u>Baker Middle School –</u> <u>Brilliant Baker Buffaloes</u>

Caila Knighton Brielle Foster Michael Bingham Richeya Beasley Deanna Short Kelsee Knighton Brittany Hinyard – Advisor

#### **Beau Chene High School FFA**

Cody Beard
Jancee Rice
Hannah Carriere
Chelsea Romero
Ravin Quebedaux
Erika Stanford
Hals Beard – Advisor

#### Comeaux High - Evergreen ECOS

Madilyn Strickhausen Meagan Guillory Stephanie Brockman Karl Simon Emily Bratcher Tan Nguyen Lisa Ranney - Advisor

#### **LSMSA**

Jamie Winfield Freddie Smith Paul Bedel Nina Abon Dru Cowan Alison Landry, PhD - Advisor

#### **North Central**

Cole Morgan
Cherish Bryant
Lawrence Schexnaydor
Darrell Mouille
Joyce Agular
Jared Chambers – Alternate
Matt Stelly - Advisor

#### Northside High School Environmental Sciences Academy

Jessica Romero Markalon Bernard Kelsey Jones Kimberly Sassau Darryan Charles Darius Coleman Danielle Jones – Advisor

#### **Parkview Baptist School Eagles**

Emily Gorham Kayla Bankston Jeff Foshee Zack Luker Houston Howell Rachel Miley – Alternate Lesley Meaux – Advisor

#### Zachary Homeschoolers - Team A

Caleb McReynolds
Katie McReynolds
Abigal Albritton
Julie Parker
Forrest Powell
Joan Albritton - Advisor

#### Zachary Homeschoolers - Team B

Casey Albritton
Drew Albritton
Daniel Bartus
Seth McReynolds
Haylie Tucker
Daniel Myers – Alternate
Joan Albritton – Advisor

#### **Zachary High**

Ben Owens
Trent Reyonds
Kirsten Fontenot
Brett Bankston
Phillip Barnes
Mary Montelaro
Kathy Conerly - Advisor



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